

Brownfields 2022 Assessment Fact Sheet

Belfast, ME

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Overview of the EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002, as amended by the Brownfields Utilization, Investment and Local Development Act of 2018, was passed to help states and communities around the country clean up and revitalize brownfield sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through five competitive grant programs: Multipurpose Grants, Assessment Grants, Revolving Loan Fund Grants, Cleanup Grants, and Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Assessment Grant

\$500,000

EPA has selected the City of Belfast for a Brownfields Assessment Grant. Community-wide grant funds will be used to conduct eight Phase I and eight Phase II environmental site assessments. Grant funds also will be used to develop four cleanup plans. The target area for this grant is two adjacent census block groups located within the city. Priority sites include a former dry cleaners located at 126 Church Street and an urban fill site located at 1 Miller Street.

Revolving Loan Fund Grant

\$1,000,000

EPA has selected the City of Belfast for a Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grant. The grant will be used to capitalize a revolving loan fund from which the City of Belfast will provide loans and subgrants to support cleanup activities throughout the city. Grant funds also will be used to review cleanup plans and organize community engagement activities, including ten semi-annual public

meetings. RLF activities will focus on two adjacent census block groups located within the city. Priority sites include a former dry cleaners located at 126 Church Street and an urban fill site located at 1 Miller Street.

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (<http://www.epa.gov/brownfields>).

The information presented in this fact sheet comes from the grant application; EPA cannot attest to the accuracy of the information. The cooperative agreement is negotiated after the selection announcement. Therefore, the funding amount and activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.